

# MoonTide Overview Tutorial

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MoonTides are electrical waves set up in the earth's electric field by the Moon, and to a lesser extent, the other planets. These waves are felt by traders as electrical currents, and trigger emotional buying and selling. Thus they are very useful for timing day trades. They apply to all markets, but are extremely useful in the S&P 500.

This chart shows 2 days of the S&P, with MoonTides.



The first thing to notice is that there are 2 MoonTides, a positive one shown in green (+Tide), and a negative one, shown in red (-Tide). When the energy from a Moon/planetary event hits the earth's ionosphere, it sends two waves around the earth, one in each direction. As these waves meet at any point, they are of opposite polarity, hence the two waves.

These waves create electrical currents that are unconsciously felt by traders as emotional swings. Markets are provably about 60 per cent fundamental, and 40 percent emotional. The emotional component is very clear in daytrading. So knowing when the emotional swings are likely to change gives you a trading edge.

The second thing to notice about these Tides is that they don't seem to line up with price very well. Look at the red -Tide on 2/8/2002. It starts out OK, but goes higher than price on the first peak. And the green +Tide isn't even close to price. So what's going on here?

MoonTides are energy calculations. They don't even know the S&P or any other market exists, except for knowing the date it first traded. ***No price information is ever used in***

***MoonTide calculations.*** The only thing that goes into the calculations are the first trade date, a harmonic number, and the date and time. ***Moontides can therefore be calculated for any point in the future.***

So when placed on a trading chart, the Tides have to be scaled and shifted vertically. The scaling tends to hold fairly constant, so once found, can be used to gauge the potential of a trade. This chart shows just 2/8/2002 with the Tides adjusted.



Now look at how well the red -Tide forecast the price action for the first 4.5 hours. It did not forecast the little swings, but it forecast the pattern and the times quite well. This is typical of the MoonTides.

The bad news is that prices don't always follow one Tide. The good news is, that when they don't, they usually follow the other Tide. This switching from one Tide to another is called an "inversion." Inversions happen in all chaotic systems. Markets are provably chaotic, so they have inversions. That's a nasty reality of trading. But think about it. If they didn't have inversions, someone would have cornered the markets and we would have nothing to trade. On this day, there was a sharp move down just after 14:00. That was a clue that an inversion had occurred. Instead of making a high near 14:40, the market was making a low. After that, it followed the green +Tide. The scale changed a bit as well.

This particular day happened to be a Friday, and we were doing our live Chaos clinic. Our 1ADay hotline trade sold the turn just after 11:00, and we caught the inversion and were long on the late rally. So the MoonTides gave us a clear trading edge.

By now, you can see that the Tides are useful. They tell you the pattern, get you close to the turns, estimate the extent of a potential gain, and tell you how long a move may last.

They are even more useful when coupled with a couple of tracking technical indicators. After much research, we have settled on two simple indicators that even the lamest of trading programs can display—a 110 minute exponential moving average (EXMA) and a 20 minute EXMA. These two indicators are all one needs to see which Tide the market is responding to, and when to enter a trade. I have added them to the chart we saw earlier. The blue line is the 110 minute EXMA, computed on one minute closes. The yellow line is the 20 minute EXMA.



Look at the blue 110 EXMA. Notice how its slope tracks the slope of the red -Tide in the morning. Then between 13:30 and 14:30, the 110 EXMA continued down while the -Tide turned up. So this was a "tracking failure." It gave an early warning that an inversion could be coming.

Think about it. A tracking indicator is like looking outside to check the weather before going on that picnic, and not just relying on the weather forecast. Actually, weather systems and markets are both chaotic systems, so forecasting them is equally difficult. They can only be predicted within the bounds of chaos theory, and never perfectly. By using a tracking indicator, we can monitor how well the MoonTide forecast is working.

So, a quick way to tell which MoonTide is at work, is to compare the slope of the 110 EXMA to the slope of the two MoonTides. If they match for 30 minutes or so, that Tide is probably the one at work.

The 20 EXMA gives you a trade entry and exit tool. First, notice that the yellow 20 EXMA will tend to stay above the blue 110 EXMA during a rally, and below it during a decline. So the 20 EXMA tracks the swings, and the 110 tracks the trend.

When the 20 EXMA crosses the 110, it signals a change in trend. Look at the crossing near 11:35. It was a clear sell signal and came close to the forecast MoonTide turn. That's a high probability signal-a good one to take.

During a trend move, such as the one from 11:30 to 1:30, notice that the 20 EXMA approached but did not touch the 110, and then separated from it. This picks up the swing congestions, dips of the 20 toward the 110, which can be used to add to a position or to enter an existing trend. On the chart, find the 20 EXMA pullback dips near 11:50, 12:40, and 13:20.

If a MoonTide turn coincides with one of these, and the forecast shows a good following move, you can enter when the 20 EXMA starts pulling away from the 110 EXMA. These "trend continuation" trades often work well if supported by a good forecast.

Now look carefully at the two EXMA's between 14:00 and 15:00. For your convenience, the chart is repeated below.



Near 14:08, the 20 EXMA broke above the 110 EXMA. One might think that this would be a buy signal. But the blue 110 EXMA remained flat. Now get this. This is important. It takes a crossing by the 20 EXMA and a "curl" in the 110 EXMA to give a good buy or sell signal. And it should be near a MoonTide turn.

Near 14:18, the 20 EXMA dropped back below the 110 EXMA. The effect on the blue 110 EXMA was slight, and it was not near a MoonTide turn, so it was not a good sell signal. Then near 14:40, the yellow 20 EXMA broke the 110, which curled up, right at the MoonTide turn. We jumped on that one with both feet. We could see that the move should last until the close, and had the potential of running 9 or so points. Those are the highest potential trades. Notice one more thing-the angle of separation between the two averages. On a well scaled chart (like the ones on this site) that angle is about 20 degrees if it is a chaotic "streak" move.

When you see that angle develop and you are in with the market, you know that the trading gods are with you. And that's what trading the MoonTides is all about.

The process is not hard. Get a forecast. See where it says the good turns are. Going into the turns, track the forecast. When everything sets up right, take the trade. Use a close stop. Over time you will catch some small gains, some small losses, and some big gains - like this one.

The secret is that you never take a big loss. And the MoonTides put the odds of catching a few big gains in your favor.

This tutorial continues with several examples of actual trading using the MoonTides and the tracking indicators.

# Pivots and Planets

[February 11, 2004]

I recently automated the calculation of pivot prices, as advocated for some time by 12 year client MM. I also have, for the past 6 or 7 months, posted "hot" planetary prices. When these are combined with the Tide turns, and standard technical indicators, some good trade setups are quite easy to see. The purpose of this page is to describe a simple way to combine these approaches.

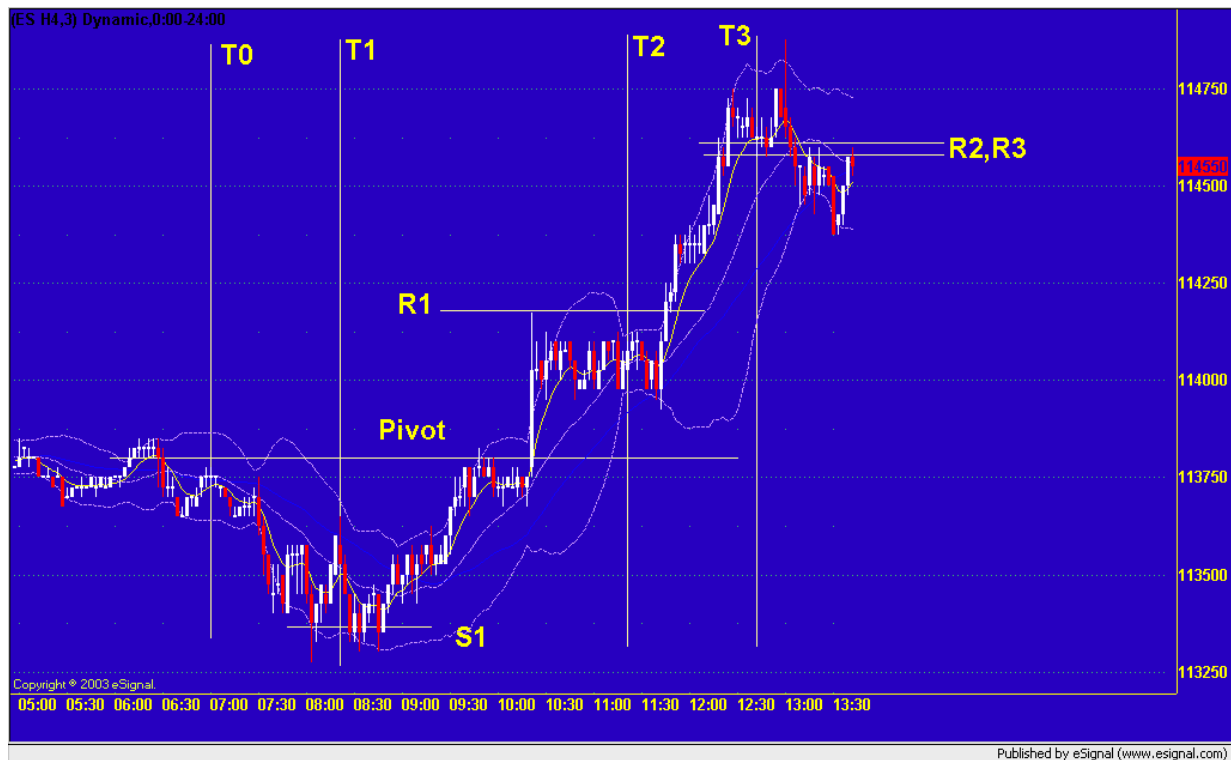
Before I begin, let me say that the pivot calculations I use come from client MM, although I had a simpler form of them. While there are a variety of formulas for pivot price calculations, there are some common formulas. The pivot point, for example, is always the arithmetic average of the prior day's high, low, and close. A normal set of pivot calculations gives a pivot point, a couple of resistance points, and a couple of support points.

There is a question of what session to use for the prices in the calculation. The ones we use, which work well, are the 24 hour all session prices, captured at the close of the outcry trading session. These prices are posted on the SP1Day page each day, if the technocrap works right. Pivot calculations have been around for a long time. Even W. D. Gann used them.

Interestingly, he also used them on planetary prices to help him find key support and resistance levels. My friend MM argues that the S&P pivot prices are important because the pit watches them. My view is that the prior day's high, low, and close were formed by the combination of many energy fields, and that the pivot calculations are important because they tell us something about the fields for the next day. In my MoonTide work I have found that there is a 1 day delay from the calculated MoonTides until they show up in the markets, so calculating the pivots with a one day delay is consistent with my research.

The problem I have always had with the pivots is that they are frequently fuzzy. They may not mark the low or high. So I suspected there are other price points of importance. I have found a way to calculate prices that are "MoonTide hot." These frequently do mark the low, high, or close of the day. My research hunch is that the pivot system prices are driven by the Sun, while my hot prices are driven by the moon.

All that is fine, but how can they be used in trading? Let's take a simple example, just using the MoonTide turns and the pivot prices. This chart is an ESignal chart, annotated with vertical lines marking the MoonTide turns, and the pivot prices. The times on the chart are Mountain, 2 hours earlier than the Eastern times shown on the automatic charts on this site. This is a 3 minute bar chart, with a 20 bar Bollinger band, and two moving averages in yellow and blue. These are the yellow 21 minute 7 bar average of the 3 minute closes (close to the 20 minute EXMA), and the blue 108 minute 36 bar average of the 3 minute closes (close to the 110 EXMA).



The first Tide turn after the outcry open is marked T1. Prices made a low near the S1 support 1 price, then gave a 20/110 buy signal. They also broke through the top of the Bollinger band channel. At that point, a buy was a good bet.

Prices paused at the Pivot, and there gave a 20/110 continuation buy, before heading higher to the next pivot price at R1 - resistance 1. They congested under R1, and the Bollinger bands pinched going into MoonTide turn T2. This was another good trade setup, giving a continuation buy signal on the 20/110 EXMA, followed by a Bollinger band breakout. This was another good buy point. Note that on such a buy, the stop can be placed at the lower Bollinger band, which is often closer than the normal stop used in our standing instructions.

This rally continued up to the R2/R3 pivot prices, and peaked near the MoonTide turn T3.

The huge wick on the top candlestick signaled the rally was over. Also, it was the 7th move up from the low, making a nice 7 move Chaos Clamshell.

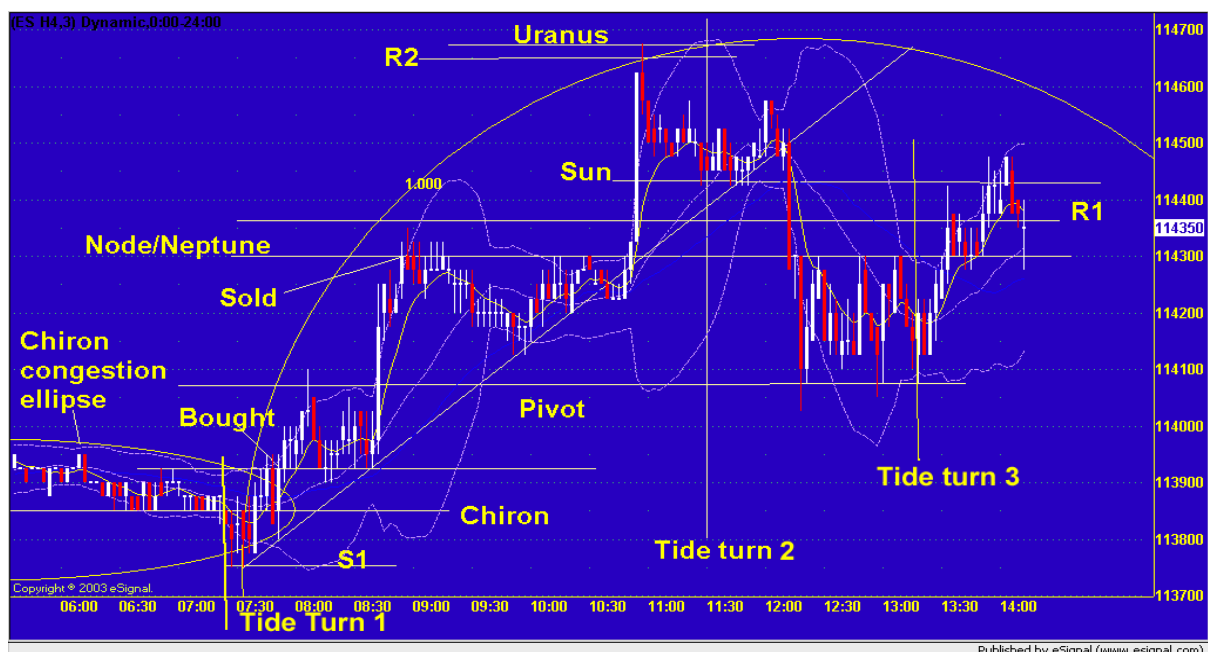
This example shows how the Tide turns and the pivot prices can be used together to find good trades. Now here is another example in the other direction.



On this day, the market ran up to R1, then rolled over, giving a 20/110 sell signal right of the first Tide turn. Prices then held on the pivot, until MoonTide turn Tide2. This was a nice continuation sell. Prices stalled at support 1, then broke almost to support 2.

The final low came after the continuation sell at Tide 3, this time reaching S2. At that point the 7 moves in a down Chaos Clamshell were complete. Notice that the 20/110 EXMA gave a sell early, then continuation sells near each Tide turn/pivot price level, and did not recross until after the low at support 2.

Now, not all of these prices were exact. So one must ask if there are other prices that matter as well. My answer is that there are- the "MoonTide hot" prices. This chart shows an example.





On this day, one of the MoonTide hot prices was Chiron at 1038.5. Just below it was S1 at 1137.6. Early in the day, I identified a horizontal congestion ellipse due to Chiron. As it ended, prices dipped to S1, then rallied above Chiron. This gave both a 20/110 buy signal and a Bollinger band breakout. I bought 1139.25.

When the market exploded upward, I did not wait for it to reach R1. I covered at the Neptune/Node price of 1143. I knew from my research that this was the physical planetary price near R1, and that R1 might not be reached until latter in the day.

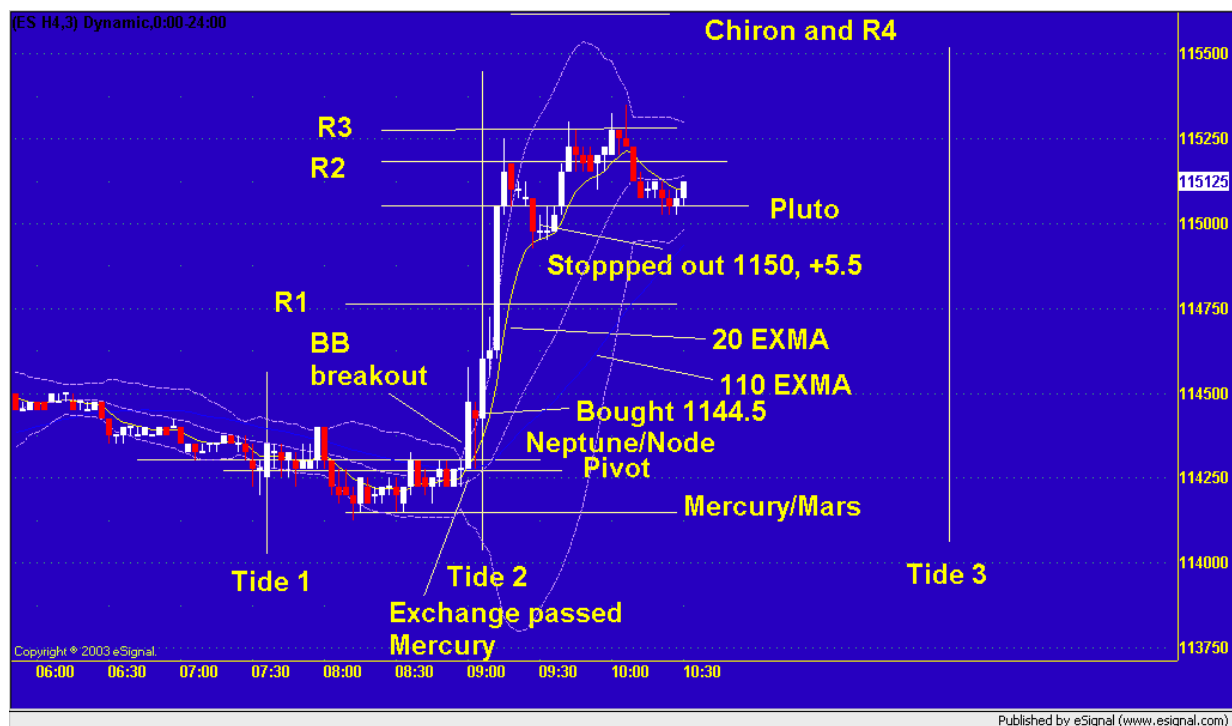
Prices were held down by this price until about 10:40 (12:40 eastern ) when they exploded up- on a continuation buy on the 20/110 and a Bollinger band breakout.

This rally lasted only 12 minutes. It died quickly after reaching R2, which was also the Uranus price level.

What happened next was a "hook and go" on the 20/110 EXMA's. Coming out of Tide turn 2, prices rallied, giving an apparent continuation buy. But this collapsed quickly, giving a 20/110 sell and Bollinger band sell breakout. Fortunately, I was able to reverse for a small loss and go short. But I made almost on the short. The move just died at the third Tide turn. Here a most interesting thing happened. Prices chopped between the pivot price, and the Node/Neptune price. After Tide turn 3, prices were finally able to rally above the pivot price up to R1.

So it was very clear on this day, that the pivot prices and planetary prices were both at play.

Now let us look at today. This chart shows the start of the day.

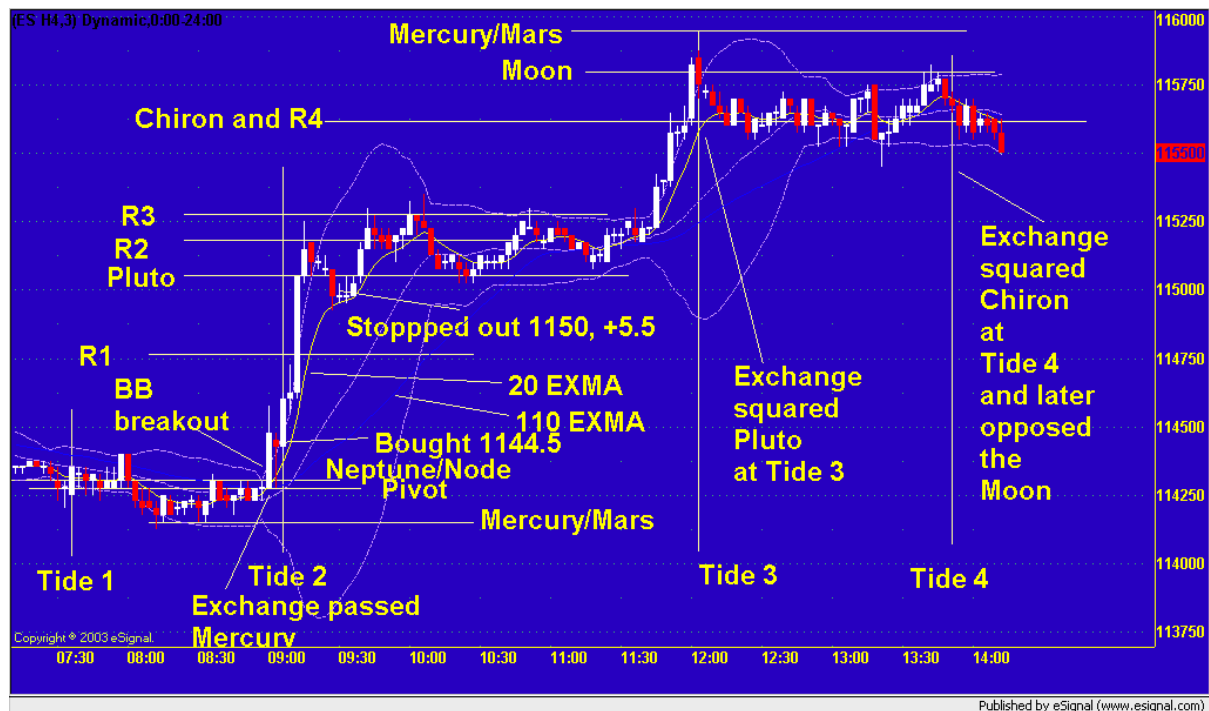


The first Tide turn was on the open. Prices dropped below the pivot, and gave a 20/110 sell signal. But this was a marginal short, which I covered quickly. I resold, but was stopped out. Prices just would not go down. What was holding them up? 1141.50 was a "MoonTide hot" price due to Mercury and Mars.

Going into the second Tide 2 time, as the Exchange passed Mercury, prices broke upward, giving a 20/110 buy and a Bollinger band breakout. This was a fast break EXACTLY as the Exchange passed Mercury. I bought 1144.5, and was stopped out on a trailing stop at 1150. Prices had made it to the R1 price level, then up to the R2 level. But the lower price of the congestion was set by Pluto. Given the nature of the day (Alan Greenspan was speaking) and the support on Pluto, I suspected that another move to the R4 / Chiron level was coming.

Since the prior day's low was near Chiron, R4 had captured that information, and an 18 point move from Chiron to Chiron was probable.

This chart shows what happened later in the day.



Prices broke higher going into Tide 3. Note the 20/110 continuation signal and the Bollinger band breakout, coming off the congestion based on Pluto. They broke above R4, which was also Chiron, and peaked EXACTLY on Tide 3 in time (email had a typo). The price of the high was halfway between the Moon price, and Mercury, and Mars.

Prices then congested sideways, stuck on R4/Chiron. They peaked on Tide 4 in time, as the Exchange squared Chiron. The peak was on The Moon price. Note that on this high, there was not a Bollinger band breakout, but a band edge repel. After that, prices declined to the lower Bollinger band.

This is a great example of how knowing the planetary prices was a help. After seeing two great Bollinger band breakouts today, one might have been tempted to buy at this band edge, thinking it would be a breakout. But knowledge that it was a Tide Turn and a planetary resistance point would have made one at least very cautious.

Now, note that to a close approximation, the low was set by Mercury and Mars, the high by the Moon, and the close by Chiron. So one way to think about tomorrow's pivot calculations is that they ARE planetary calculations using Mercury, Mars, Moon, and Chiron prices. Just

as W. D. Gann averaged certain planets, the pivot calculations often do as well. They just use a different selection method.

Hopefully, this page will give you another way of trading the MoonTides. If you simply take the MoonTide turns and mark vertical lines on a chart, then add the pivot prices and the "MoonTide hot" prices as horizontal lines, you should be able to find some very good trades.

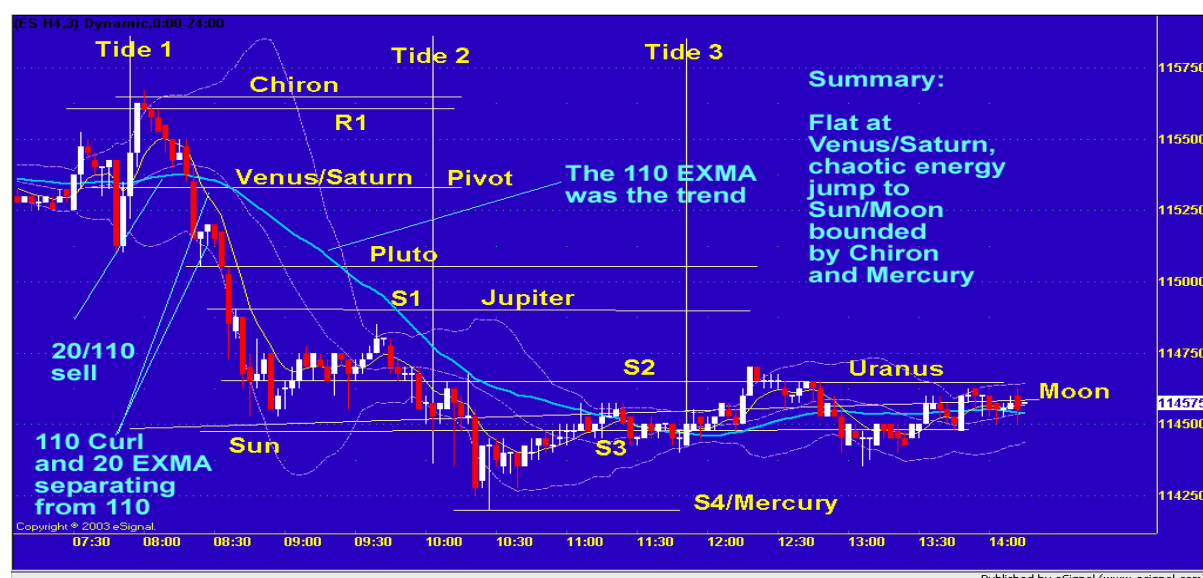
This is an update done after the close of the Friday the 13th Chaos Clinic. On Friday, the price levels were nearly perfect - the high was on the pit's R1, which was 1 tick off the price set by the minor planet Chiron, and the low was on the pit's S4, set exactly by the planet Mercury. And the close was set exactly by the Moon. This is Market AstrPhysics in action. It is not accidental. We are all effected by natural cycles. Many of us trade by intuition-by what we feel, rather than what we think.

The people who use intuition the most are the pit traders - since they stand in a crowd they can feel the energy flow of the crowd, and they just go with it.

But even when they do that, they are subject to the natural energy cycles of the market. I have studied these very closely, and have had success isolating two cycles that show up every day. One I track with a 20 minute exponential moving average on the closes of the 1 minute bars (7 bars on 3 minute chart), and the other I track with a 110 minute EXMA (36 bars on a 3 minute chart). The 110 shows you the trend, and the 20 shows you the swings. Just watching these alone can tell you much about the trend of the market. The 110 is related to the Moon, and the 20 is related to the rotating earth.

It is pretty obvious that we are all effected by the rotating earth. When the sun is up, our brains work. We are bright, social, and gregarious. When it goes down, it slows down and we become sleeping zombies. Similarly, we are all effected by the Moon. At full moon, as the Moon reflects a larger number of negative ions back into our atmosphere, we get romantic, happy, and giddy. At new moon, when the Moon interrupts the flow of ions from the Sun, we feel nervous, restless, and depressed.

My MoonTide calculations try to capture the net effect of these natural cycles on the S&P market. It is not a perfect system, being limited by my knowledge of the system, my ability to program it, and the general complexity of it. But if you take a simplified view of it, watch the natural cycles, and trade it carefully, it works over time.



# Trading Band Update

[October 3rd, 2002]

As fine as our track record has been, there is always room for improvement. Over the past few weeks I have been engaged in a dialog with long-time client MM (over 10 years!), who has used my MoonTide turn times along with candle stick patterns and Bollinger bands to find some very good trades.

After studying his approach, I have adopted a modified form, to be used in addition to the current technique. My modification is to use Larson Bands, rather than Bollinger bands. Larson Bands, in this case, are the 110 minute EXMA tracking indicator, plus and minus 4.5 points. I have found that this range bounds most of the price movement of the S&P intraday. Unlike Bollinger bands, they do not contract sharply in a trending market. And, they are easier to compute.

The normal entry technique used with the 20/110 EXMA system is to wait for them to pinch together or cross near a MoonTide turn, then go with the flow. This is basically a trend following technique, and has produced very good results.

Markets also trade in ranges, and one can try to sell the high of the range, and buy the low of the range. So knowing that prices are high or low compared to the normal range is useful. In addition, one needs an indication that prices will turn back into the trading range. Here is where 3 minute candlesticks come in. If prices are struggling to continue moving, a candle with a long wick and short body will form, or one with no body at all. The latter is called a Doji. A top is shown by a Shooting Star (SS) which has a top wick and short body. A bottom is shown with a Hammer (H), a lower wick with a short body on top.

These are most useful if they coincide with MoonTide turns. This chart shows today, which had Tide turns near 10:22 and 1:30. Read the annotations on the chart to see how the band edge+candle pattern + Tide turn would have helped today.



The 10:22 came a few minutes early, and was a strong return to the band. The return even expanded the band lower-right up to the 1:30 Tide turn time. There was a nice hammer at the LLB and the 1:30 Tide Turn, followed by a move not only to the 110 EXMA, but to the Upper Larson Band (ULB). These clearly would have been good trades on the MoonTide turns. In neither case did the 20/110 EXMA's work well. That is because this was not a trending market.

This was very obvious in the afternoon rally. It had large pullbacks, and the slope of the band was shallow-which was forecast by the slope of the MoonTides.

Prices kept rallying to the ULB. Then at 3:09, another good trade setup occurred. This was a MoonTide inversion, so Tides did not help. But this was also a Natural Time, at 3:09 exactly, and was the seventh move in the up Chaos Clamshell from the low. So it too was a good trade setup.

I have documented this technique because I will add it as an additional technique to trade the MoonTide turns. It does not replace, but complements, the trend following technique already proven. Hotline instructions will give details to help you recognize and use this technique.

Thank you MM, for sharing your insights, and for ten year of faithful support. By the way, MM took 15 points out of the 10:22 Tide turn. Well done.

# Natural Times in the S&P

[May 9th, 2002]

Every now and then God blesses me with a new insight into the marvelous workings of the universe. A few weeks ago, I saw a new phenomenon operating in the S&P. This I call Natural Times. These are times of energy impulses in the S&P. Most of the time, there is no planet aspect at these times. They are not as simple as that. These points tend to be pretty accurate, and seem to account for many of the turns during the day.

I do not have a flawless trading method for using these times. I have been using them in conjunction with the 20 minute EXMA used for tracking the MoonTides. This helps me anticipate the turns in that EXMA.

They may also be of use to traders who have their own systems, who use the times as signal confirmations.

These times are an improvement to the times I put in my nightly email, so they are now a standard part of Tomorrow's Market Email.

Here are a few charts to show you how the times have been working recently. If you want them daily, sign up for my hotline service.

















# MoonTides

[02/08/2002]

The tides showed 4 moves, so it looked a bit choppy. So the hotline email suggested:

Strategy: Trade counter the early trend near 11:20

1ADay tactics:

1. Going into 11:20, look at the 1 hour trend. If it is up, the trade is a sell. If down, it is a buy. If not clear, do not trade. Trail an entry stop 3 points from price.
2. When elected, trail an exit stop 3 points from price.
3. Cover on a 3 point gain, at 1:12, or when stopped

The trailing stop entry is an alternative to using the tracking EXMA's. It's a simple mechanical entry technique that works over time. But it requires greater timing accuracy than using the tracking EXMA's.

The chart is annotated with the events as they unfolded in real time.



In this case, using the tracking indicators to stay in the trade longer, and using a less aggressive stop technique, would have done better, maybe 6 points. But HINDSIGHT is great. And it's all "woulda, shoulda, coulda." The MoonTide forecast gave FORESIGHT, from which we formulated a plan, and we executed that plan. So there is no shame in settling for 3 points. Changes in the planning can be done on the next trade.

# Keep it Simple

[March 29, 2007]

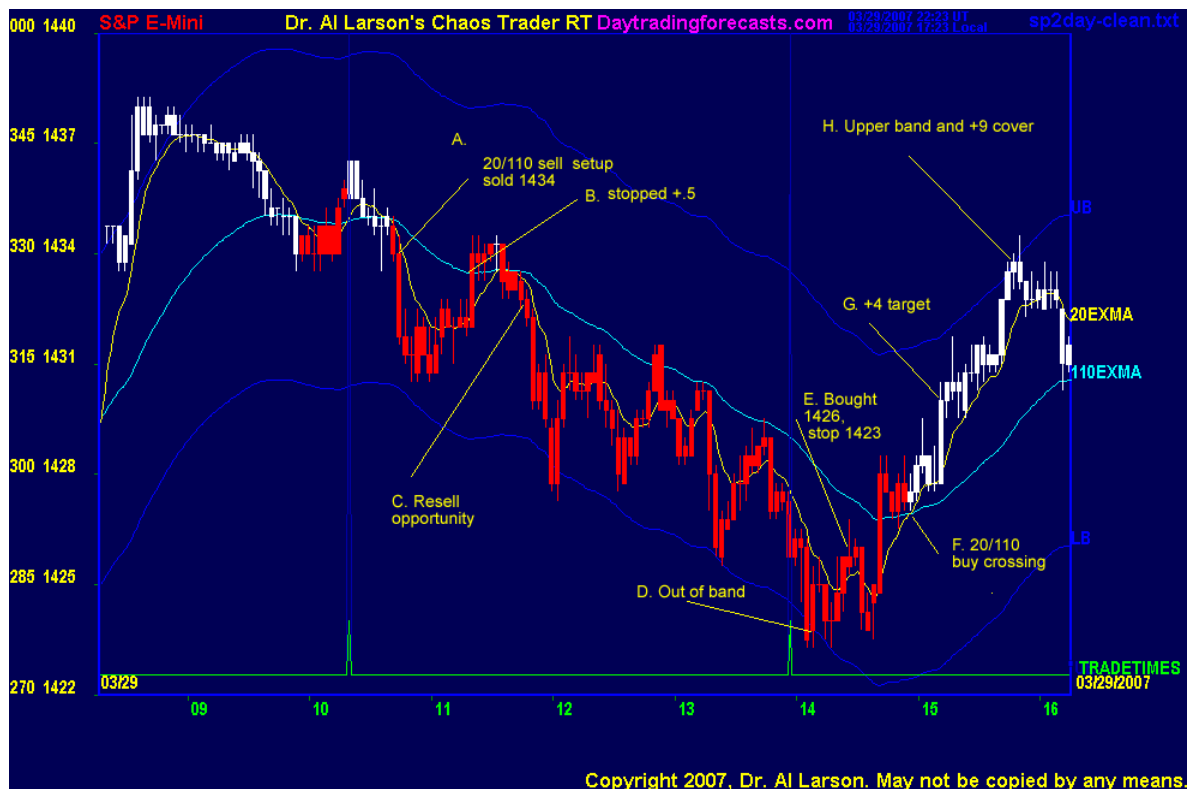
Don't be intimidated by all the complexity of the astro stuff on this site. While it is important to the understanding of what is really happening in the market, the amount of information can easily overwhelm and confuse you. But if you use the hotline right, that will not be the case. Each night you get an email. I produce it by looking at the forecast MoonTide pattern, on a chart like this.



I look at the MoonTide chart, and select the turns that look like the best trades. This gives me a few good trade times. Most of the astro stuff is in the MoonTides. So you really do not have to watch it bar by bar. All you need are the trade times, a simple chart, and the trading rules. The best approach to trading the MoonTides is KISS - keep it super simple. Watch a simple chart (similar to SPKISS or SP1Day), with 3 minute bars, 20 minute (6 or 7 bars) EXMA, and 110 minute (36 bar) EXMA.

Look at the trade times in the Strategy section of the email. Draw vertical lines at the trade times. These are easily drawn in eSignal, Wave59, and other trading programs. If you can color bars with indicators, use the 20 EXMA below the 110 EXMA to color them your down color, and above to color them your up color. When within about +/-30 minutes of the trade times, follow the rules given in the Standing Instructions.

A chart done this way is shown below, illustrating the action on March 29, 2007. Just read the points A-H to see just how well KISS worked.



After you have worked with this simple chart and are very comfortable, then you can incorporate more stuff. But for starts, just Keep It Super Simple. Be patient. This approach works over time.

# Finer Timing of the MoonTides

[February 9, 2006]

Some days are monster days. Today was one. After two weeks of choppy trading, we had a great day today.

One aspect of that trading, for me, came about because of my current research project. I am working on the exact cause of the key turns in the day, trying to narrow the timing down. That work is showing great promise. As part of that work, I have been playing with a secondary "fast trigger" signaling system. That system is simple-it colors my candlestick bars by the crossing of a 15 minute EXMA with the 20 minute EXMA.

Any such EXMA crossing system will give poor results if one takes every trade. Even the 110/20 EXMA system used with the MoonTides gives some bad trades, especially on a broad turn. So adding some finer timing is helpful, especially for the continuation trades, where the 20 EXMA dips toward and then pulls away from the 110 EXMA. Adding the coloring with the 15/20 EXMA gives an added tool for making the entries.

I have set this up on the SP1Day chart, which colors 3 Minute candles using the 15/20 EXMA crossings, computed on 1 minute data. The chart below shows the 15/20 entry Indicator.



For today I selected 3 trade times, from the MoonTide turns. These are marked in magenta. The first trade was clear - a continuation buy, near 1271, good for +5. Following that trade, the market chopped. Trying to take the 15/20 EXMA signals in this region would have not worked.



I was late getting into the second trade because I make the mistake of picking up the phone. I got in at 1275, when it should have been near 1273.5, where the 15/20 signal was. There was a bit of money there, but I did not get any. I aborted for 0 at the next Tide turn. Note the strange vertical double "jerk" in the Tides right there. That changed things. The market rolled over.

The last trade time was 2:00. It looked like it might be a low. The 15/20 gave a buy signal. But prices were stopped by the 110 EXMA and the 15/20 very quickly gave a sell. We sold 1273 and covered at 1266 for +7. During that decent, there was one more continuation sell near 1272.

So the 15/20 looks like a useful tool to help you jump when you should.

Below is the chat room discussion for today. Note that Ben got the first trade, passed on the second, and passed on the third when he realized he missed it. Very good discipline.

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2/9/2006 7:48:00 AM Mountain Ben:: bought 70.75  
2/9/2006 7:59:22 AM Mountain Ben:: stop 70.75  
2/9/2006 8:06:27 AM Mountain Ben:: stop 71.75  
2/9/2006 8:19:46 AM Mountain Ben:: stop 73.25 - had my sell in at 75.75, but didn't get filled.  
2/9/2006 8:21:18 AM Mountain coh:: I think it will make it up there yet.  
2/9/2006 8:38:49 AM Mountain Ben:: out +5  
2/9/2006 8:40:13 AM Mountain coh:: congratulations Ben!!  
2/9/2006 8:41:37 AM Mountain Ben:: Thanks coh. It feels great to get a 5 pointer!  
2/9/2006 8:42:22 AM Mountain Al:: nice trade, Ben - I got it too 71 to 76 -nice to get a decent move  
2/9/2006 8:53:43 AM Mountain Ben:: Thanks Al. Especially for the help in dealing with the mental side of trading. I have met the enemy and it is me ;0)  
2/9/2006 9:10:08 AM Mountain Al:: yes, been there and will be there again. Can't escape yourself. When my poise gets shaken, I close all positions, go do something relaxing and fun, get a good night's sleep, then come back fresh.  
2/9/2006 9:55:57 AM Mountain Ben:: Great advice.  
2/9/2006 10:47:14 AM Mountain Al:: bought 76 stop now 74.5  
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2/9/2006 11:14:48 AM Mountain Ben:: Al, does this look like a moon-noon-moon day to you with the high on the solar noon at 1pm?  
2/9/2006 11:20:52 AM Mountain Al:: no-in winter we are not on daylight time so sun timeline is at 12:00 aborted for 0  
2/9/2006 11:24:06 AM Mountain Ben:: Thanks. I noticed that we made a low in the morning on the moon timeline, and just made a spike high at 1pm, so I was thinking we could make a low on the moon timeline this afternoon.  
2/9/2006 11:28:54 AM Mountain Al:: I think the low will come on the Pluto timeline since the high was on the Pluto fluxline  
2/9/2006 11:39:09 AM Mountain Ben:: My count has this downswing as move 6 from this morning's low. A low on Pluto timeline would set up a good trade for move 7 on the 2pm tide time.  
2/9/2006 12:11:18 PM Mountain Al:: sold 73 stop 76  
2/9/2006 12:14:28 PM Mountain Al:: I was slow on that-thinking too much  
2/9/2006 12:16:31 PM Mountain Al:: Ben, my apologies-your moon-noon-moon looks right now  
2/9/2006 12:16:52 PM Mountain Ben:: I missed it - 74 was the sell.  
2/9/2006 12:17:56 PM Mountain Ben:: No need to apologize. I appreciate all the help.  
2/9/2006 12:33:28 PM Mountain Al:: stop 74  
2/9/2006 12:50:31 PM Mountain Al:: stop 73.5  
2/9/2006 1:02:59 PM Mountain Al:: stop 73-  
2/9/2006 1:11:16 PM Mountain Al:: stop 72-on that congestion, there was a chance to sell at 72 on a continuation sell-when you know the Moon is hot, that often works  
2/9/2006 1:14:28 PM Mountain Al:: the Moon is opposing Venus today-early low was on Venus timeline-watch for low on late Venus timeline

2/9/2006 1:35:48 PM Mountain Al:: the aux screen is showing a research screen I'm working on-it colors the bars with a 15 EXMA crossing the 20 - on one minute bars - on 3 minute bars 5 and 7 is close-note how these crossing point out the continuation entries  
2/9/2006 1:37:03 PM Mountain Al:: stop 69  
2/9/2006 1:40:42 PM Mountain Al:: stop 68-64 is my +9 cover  
2/9/2006 1:45:35 PM Mountain Al:: stop 67.5 -at moon flux-on fast move, setting stop mid quantum-quantum is 3 points so  $66 + 3/2 = 67.5$   
2/9/2006 1:49:38 PM Mountain Al:: covered 66 for +7  
2/9/2006 1:52:36 PM Mountain Al:: I covered because that low was dead on the Venus timeline, I had a good gain, and we were at the Moon flux, and I had a 7 move down Chaos Clamshell from the high  
2/9/2006 1:53:24 PM Mountain Al:: and, it is right at the next Tide turn

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In the above discussion, some of the astro stuff is discussed. I find looking at all of it at once often confusing, so when I feel confused, I use the simplest chart I can, like SP1Day. But sometimes you can see things soon enough to use the Market AstroPhysics to your advantage. I used them to cover my 7 point gain on the Moon fluxline (yellow slightly sloping -T045 line) and the Venus timeline (vertical blue V). The Moon opposed Venus today, so this late low was no accident, just Market AstroPhysics in action.

It takes lots of study and practice to use all I have discovered. But if you keep things simple, it really helps. The SP1Day chart is simple. Adding the 15/20 EXMA coloring to it looks very useful. It should help you apply the MoonTide trading rules even better.

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